<u>REMARKS</u>

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 1 to 23, 26 and 27, all other claims being cancelled. Claim 2 has been amended to remove "wherein" as a double entry, Claims 9 and 12 have been amended to remove "optionally" and claims 26 and 27 have been added to remove the rejection to claims 9 and 12.

Therefore, favourable reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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